



# AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY

## Housing: Question on Year Householder Moved In (H-3)

### FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL USES OF DATA ABOUT YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED IN

- The Department of Housing and Urban Development requires state and local governments to have a Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy. This plan requires inventory of housing units compared with an assessment of the needs of families residing in the jurisdiction.
- Moving companies use these data for selecting areas of high mobility to locate their business offices.
- State and local governments, faith-based and other non-profit organizations, and businesses use these data to plan, budget, and pay benefits.

### QUESTION AS IT APPEARS IN THE QUESTIONNAIRE

**3** When did **PERSON 1** (listed in the List of Residents on page 2) move into this house, apartment, or mobile home?

Month	Year
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

### EXAMPLES OF LEGAL REQUIREMENTS FOR YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED IN DATA

- National Affordable Housing, Subchapter I—State and Local Housing Strategies, Title 42, Chapter 130

<[www.census.gov/acs/www](http://www.census.gov/acs/www)>

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### HISTORY OF THE YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED IN QUESTION

- The question on year householder moved in has been asked since 1960.
- The question also was asked on the Census 2000 long-form questionnaire.

### WHY WE ASK IT THIS WAY

The intent of this question is to establish the length of occupancy by the present householder. The year that the householder moved in is not necessarily the same year that other members of the household moved, although in the great majority of the cases, an entire household moves at the same time. Data about the year the householder moved into the unit provide information on the specific period of time when mobility occurs, especially for recent movers. This item measures neighborhood stability and helps identify transient communities.

### WHAT IS THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY?

The American Community Survey (ACS) is a nationwide survey that collects socioeconomic and housing information and is the planned replacement for the long form in the 2010 Census.

The U.S. Census Bureau plans to conduct the ACS in every county, American Indian and Alaska Native Area, Hawaiian Home Land, and in Puerto Rico, once it is fully implemented, pending Congressional funding. The ACS has been tested across the country since 1996.

### HOW CAN I SEE THE RESULTS OF THE SURVEY ?

The information collected from these tests is published on the Census Bureau's Web site at:

<[www.census.gov/acs/www](http://www.census.gov/acs/www)>

and American FactFinder at:

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